

**REMARKS**

The present Rule 312 amendment reflects the title that has been used throughout the prosecution of the application, "WEDGE RAMP DISTRACTOR AND RELATED METHODS FOR USE IN IMPLANTING ARTIFICIAL INTERVERTEBTAL DISCS". No new matter is introduced by this amendment.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that this action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone Applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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